

## **Youth Director's Report October 1008**

Hi Terry,

I wish you luck at the Region 17 meeting, I wish I could come along with you but as you know it's not in the budget.

First off I would like to congratulate everyone who participated at the Region 17 Championship Horse Show in Red Deer. We sure do have a great group of horses in this region. Sorry I wasn't able to attend but I had the opportunity to compete at Youth Nationals, and what an opportunity it was! It was great catching up with some old friends as well as making some new friends.

I would like to send a special thank you to Kimberly Toye for getting the Youth Silent Auction up and running, and getting all of the monies collected. I can't thank you enough for doing that for me.

I'm well underway in asking for sponsorships for Region 17 next year when it's hosted at Thunderbird Show Park, in BC. I hope it will be a huge success.

One of the things that I would like to bring up is to get together a youth budget. It would be nice to start of with a certain dollar value of what the youth directors of Region 17 are allowed to spend. We need to know what is covered, for example photocopying, mailing, and general expenses. It would be beneficial to attend the regional meetings.

I would also like to know if anyone received any feedback from the youth at this year's Region 17 Championship Horse Show, I would like to hear from you on what they had to say.

I'd still like to have the flying horse toss at next year's Region 17, the "flying pig toss" is a huge success at youth and was a lot of fun. That is one of the sponsorships I am working on right now!

I would also like to thank the Region 17 clubs that came through with sponsorships for the T-shirts at Youth Nationals, it was wonderful seeing Region 17 on the T-shirts. The clubs that I would like to thank are All Arabian Horse Association of BC, Vancouver Island Arabian Horse Association, and RK Arabians.

I wish everybody good luck over the winter and I can't wait to see everyone back in the show ring next year for hopefully another awesome show year!

Region 17 Youth Director,  
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